

TALK IT OVER

THE HEALING PATH (PART 1)| PASTOR TROY STEIN

KEY SCRIPTURES

The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, ³ he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, [a] I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Psalm 23 NIV

Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance character; & character hope.

See Also: Lamentations 3:21-26 Hosea 2:14-16

Romans 5:3-4 NIV

START TALKING

Share a time when tragedy unexpectedly struck you or your family? How did that impact your faith at that point in your walk with Jesus? (angry, sad, bewildered, etc.)

START THINKING

Pastor Troy said, "The healing path must pass through the desert or else our healing will be the product of our own will and wisdom." How do you feel about that statement?

God does not always guide us out of harm's way. Why would God have us walk through danger to get to Him?

When we are suffering, we often want to run. Why is it important to remain on the healing path and not run away?

START PRAYING

Jesus, this is really hard! Boy, do I want to avoid suffering! But I long to have a deeper relationship with You. Remind me that what You are doing IN me is greater than what's happening TO me. Thank You for helping me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

START DOING

Using Romans 5:3-4, pray that God would enable you to embrace your sufferings OR to be prepared for the sufferings that lie ahead because suffering produces perseverance; perseverance character; and character hope.